NOTIFICATION

(LAW DEPARTMENT)

No LAW 13 LCR 63, dated Bangalore, 15th January, 1963

Ordered that the accompanying Notification No G.S.R. 1640, dated the 29th November 1962, of the Ministry of External Affairs, issuing the Citizenship (Pondicherry) Order, 1962 which has been published in the *Gazette of India*, Part II Section 3, sub-section (i), dated the 8th December 1962, be republished in the *Mysore Gazette*, for general information.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Mysore,

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223 *Under Secy. to Govt., I/c, L. D*

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

ORDER.

New Delhi, the 29th November 1962.

G S R 1640—Whereas by a Treaty of Cession which entered into force on the 16th day of August, 1962, France has ceded to India in full sovereignty the Territory of the Establishments of Pondicherry, Karikal, Mahe and Yanam,

And whereas, it is necessary to specify the persons who shall be citizens of India by reason of their connection with that Territory,

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 7 of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order, namely —

1 This Order may be called the Citizenship (Pondicherry) Order, 1962

2 In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) "appointed day" means the 16th day of August, 1962,

(b) "competent French authority" means such French authority as the Central Government may specify for the purposes of this Order,

(c) "competent Indian authority" means such officer of Government as the Central Government may specify for the purposes of this Order,

(d) "minor" means an unmarried person who has not attained the age of eighteen years,

(e) "parent or guardian" in relation to a minor means the father, or if the father be deceased, the mother, or if both parents be deceased, the legal guardian, of the minor,

(f) "Pondicherry" means the territories of the former French Establishments in India known as Pondicherry, Karikal, Mahe and Yanam

3 (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-paragraph (2), every French national born in Pondicherry and domiciled therein or elsewhere in India on the appointed day shall, as from that day be a citizen of India

(2) Any such person may, by written declaration made within six months of the appointed day by himself, or if he be a minor, by his parent or guardian on his behalf, choose to retain his French nationality, and if the choice is so made, that person shall be deemed never to have acquired Indian citizenship under sub-paragraph (1)

Provided that where the choice is so made on behalf of a minor by his parent or guardian, he may, within six months of his attaining the age of of eighteen years, sign a declaration in Form A in the presence of the competent Indian authority that he wishes to acquire Indian citizenship under the provisions of this Order, and thereupon he shall, as from the date of so signing the declaration, be a citizen of India

4 A French national born in Pondicherry and domiciled on the appointed day in a place outside Pondicherry or any other part of India may, by written declaration in Form B made within six months of the appointed day by himself, or if he be a minor, by his parent or guardian on his behalf, in the presence of the competent Indian authority, choose to acquire Indan citizenship, and if the choice is so made, that person shall be deemed to have become a citizen of India as from the appointed day

Provided that where the choice is so made on behalf of a minor by his parent or guardian he may, within six months of his attaining the age of eighteen years, sign a declaration in the presence of the competent French authority that he wishes to recover his French nationality, and thereupon he shall, as from the date of so signing the declaration, cease to be a citizen of India

5. Every French national not covered by any of the foregoing provisions who by virtue of the cession of Pondicherry lost French nationality on the appointed day under the French Nationality Laws shall, as from that day, be a citizen of India.

6 Every declaration in Form A or Form B shall be made both in English and in French, and the competent Indian authority in whose presence it is made shall transmit the declaration in English to the appropriate record office in Pondicherry and the declaration in French to the competent French authority

FORM 'A'

[*Declaration under the proviso to sub-paragraph* (2) *of paragraph 3 of the Citizenship* (*Pondicherry*) *Order*, 1962]

Whereas, I..... son/daughter/husband/wife of . .. ... was a French national born in the territory of the French Establishments in India and domiciled, therein/in the Indian Union, on the date of the entry into force of the Treaty of Cession and whereas by a declaration dated. . . . ..made on my behalf by my father/mother/legal guardian, choice was made for the retention of my French nationality,

I hereby declare under the proviso to sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 3 of the Citizenship (Pondicherry) Order, 1962, that with effect from this date I have chosen to acquire citizenship of India

I attained the age of eighteen years on the .. day of

Signed in the presence of .

Place .

Date .. . . . .

Signature . . ..

Address (in full) ... .

FORM 'B'

[*Declaration under paragraph 4 of the Citizenship (Pondicherry) Order, 1962*]

I ....son/daughter/husband/wife of..... a French national born in the territory of the French Establishments in India and domiciled in a place not forming part of the territory of India or the territory of the said Establishments on the date of the entry into force of the Treaty of Cession, namely, the 16th day of August, 1962, hereby declare under paragraph 4 of the Citizenship (Pondicherry) Order, 1962, on behalf of myself and my child/children named below that my said children and I choose to acquire Indian citizenship with effect from the 16th day of August, 1962.

Description of the child/children

Name	Relationship to the declarant	Age

Signed in the presence of. .. ..

Place.....

Date..... .....

Signature..... ....

Address (in full).....

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